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Industry unit responded to the Fantasia Nightclub concerning a battery report call. After arriving at the location, two other fights broke out inside the nightclub between patrons. These fights were quelled by the nightclub security officers. By this time, the Field Sergeant had arrived at the nightclub at the request of the handling unit. Due to the numerous fights, the management of the nightclub decided to close. The management requested that the deputies remain at the location until the club was cleared of patrons. As the customers left the club gang names were shouted out, and a fight erupted at the entrance to the club. The club security guards intervened and separated the combatants. The participants in this confrontation regrouped and started fighting in the middle of the parking lot. Small calibre gun fire was heard, the deputies saw the Suspect with the weapon in his hand. The suspect ran past a male lying on the ground and shot at the male. The suspect stopped and fired several rounds towards the deputies, who returned fire. The suspect then moved to the front of a compact vehicle, crouched and again pointed his handgun at the deputies and nearby civilians. The deputies ran forward, and fired at the suspect mortally wounding him.

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

This investigation details a deputy involved hit shooting, suspect deceased that occurred in the Industry Station area. The facts outlining this investigation were gathered from various police reports, witness interviews, and information obtained from Homicide Investigator Sergeant Ed Allen.

At 2344 hours, Industry Station unit 141K1 (EM's), Deputy acknowledged a battery report call at the Fantasia Club. When he arrived at the club, 2358 hours, he contacted the victims, took their information, and wrote a battery report (See Exhibit "A"). While at the location, several fights started inside and outside of the club involving numerous black males. Due to these fights, Deputy requested, via his radio, for additional units to respond to his location.

Additional Industry units arrived along with the field sergeant, unit 140S (EM's), Sergeant Sloan, While the deputies were standing by their vehicles near the front entrance of the club (Refer to Exhibit "A", Location #1), numerous patrons began exiting through the front door of the club. At about the same time, the deputies were contacted by Fantasia Club security officers who explained that there had been a couple of fights inside the club. The security officers asked the deputies if they would stay around for a few minutes. Sergeant Sloan said while customers were exiting the club he heard several gang names mentioned so he requested, via his radio, additional Industry units to respond to his location.

Industry unit 141 (EM's) Deputies Adams, and Blunt, and it is and unit 141T3, Deputy Seminaris, arrived at the location. Another fight broke out inside the club and the security officers handled this incident. The security guards contacted the deputies outside and asked if they would walk through the club to show police presence. They told the deputies that they believed a male in the club was carrying a gun. At approximately 0043 hours some of the deputies walked through the club, but were unable to see any man armed with a gun. Once the deputies were outside, the security guards told the deputies that they were going to close the club early and asked if the deputies would remain outside.

An announcement was made inside the club that the club was closing, and the customers started leaving. At this point, there were eight deputies and one sergeant outside the club near the front door, standing near their radio cars (Refer to Exhibit "A", Location #1). As the patrons left, a fight erupted at the front door of the club. The deputies did not become involved with this as the security officer were quelling the combatants.

Moments later, as the remaining customers were exiting the club, another fight occurred in the middle of the parking lot, east of the Fantasia Club entrance. This fist fight ended when shots were fired by the suspect and possibly another unknown suspect.

I.A.B. Note: Estimates from civilians and deputies put the number of persons in the parking lot, when the first shot was fired, between 150 and 300 people.

According to most civilian and deputy witnesses, they heard one shot from a small calibre weapon, then two to three additional shots from a small calibre weapon. Many civilian witnesses described these shots as sounding like firecrackers. After hearing these shots, civilians in the parking lot began running to cars and back to the entrance of the night club. These people were yelling, screaming, and running every direction except east.

When the deputies heard the one gun shot, they began walking eastbound through the parking lot, using parked vehicles as cover, and trying to locate the armed suspect. The deputies observed the suspect moving in a southeasterly direction, and they saw the suspect shoot twice at someone lying on the ground between two vehicles. The deputies yelled at the suspect, the suspect turned around and fired at the deputies. The deputies returned fire (Refer to Exhibit "C", Location #2).

According to Homicide Investigator Sergeant Allen, this gun shot wound was inflicted on Mr. The by the suspect, and the bullet will not be removed.

Sergeant Sloan said he heard the initial shot which was approximately 100'-150' east of the front door of the club. He saw the deputies moving towards the location where the shot came from. He heard two additional shots, and then numerous shots being fired by the deputies to his right and in front of him.

I.A.B. Note: According to Deputies Seminaris, Blunt, and Adams statements after hearing the initial shot, they drew their weapons, and fanned out into the parking lot looking for the armed suspect. Information obtained from their statements makes it reasonable to speculate that they were not necessarily in a straight line, and their order from north to south was as follows: Deputy Seminaris, Deputy Deputy Blunt, and Deputy Adams.

Deputy Seminaris said when the fight started in the parking lot, the deputies started walking towards the fighting crowd. He said he heard on shot coming from near the fight. After the shot, many of the civilians began running back towards the night club, and the deputies continued moving out into the parking lot towards the location of the shot, looking for a suspect. He said he saw a male lying on the ground, and he thought the male had been shot.

Deputy Seminaris said he then heard several other shots being fired. He looked to the east and saw the suspect. He said the suspect was wearing a brown/tan pendleton shirt and was running eastbound down the last row of cars. He said the suspect ran past a man lying on the ground, near a black cadillac. He said as the suspect ran past the man on the ground, the suspect's hand "pans" to keep his gun pointed at the man, and the suspect shot at the man on the ground 3 - 4 times. He said the suspect continued running eastbound towards a white Honda, firing a round in his (Deputy Seminaris') direction.

Deputy Seminaris said at this time Deputies Blunt, Adams, and he were all standing in the parking row north of the driveway on Albatross. He said he did not see anyone between them and the suspect. He said after seeing the suspect shooting at a man lying on the ground, be believed that the suspect was going to continue to shoot at someone else if he was not stopped. He said Deputy fired the first shot at the suspect, and before he (could fire his second shot, the other three deputies (Seminaris, Blunt, Adams) fired at the suspect. Deputy Seminaris said he did not know if he shot all six rounds at the suspect at this location, or at the second location.

I.A.B. Note: From the first location where the deputies fired at the suspect (refer to Exhibit "C", Location #2) there were 14 discharged cartridges recovered (refer to Exhibit "D"). Six were identified as being fired by Deputy Seminaris; six were identified as being fired by

	Deputy and two were identified as being fired by Deputy Blunt.
	One of Deputy Seminaris' bullets penetrated the right rear panel of the white Honda that the suspect ran behind. This bullet was recovered below the trunk liner in the left rear corner.
Si si h to (i) k	Deputy Seminaris said he saw the suspect moving from the rear to the front of the Honda. He and Deputy moved south, and took cover behind a brown vehicle, approximately 4 parking spaces west of the suspect. He said he was concentrating on the rear of the Honda when he heard shots being fired to his left, north (Refer to Exhibit "C", Location #8). Fearing additional suspects, he looked to his left quickly, but did not seen anyone else shooting at them. When he looked back owards the Honda, the suspect was at the front of the Honda, and pointing his gun in his Seminaris') direction. At this time, the deputies fired at the suspect, but Deputy Seminaris did not know if he fired. He saw the suspect go down and start to get up with the gun still in his hand. He said the deputies were yelling at the suspect to stay down, but he continued to get up, and the deputies fired additional rounds at the suspect. He said when the suspect went down for the last time, everyone stopped shooting, and Deputies and Adams loaded fresh magazines.
	I.A.B. Note: There were seven discharged .380 cartridges recovered at a location north of Deputy Seminaris. These shots were fired from one weapon by unknown person(s) in the crowd.
	Physical evidence retrieved, six discharged 9 mm cartridges indicate that Deputy Seminaris did fire six times at the suspect, but only fired at the suspect from the deputies first location
ti	Deputy said as he was standing near his radio car, he saw a group of people fighting in he parking lot. He said he saw a male black lying on the ground being kicked by several other black males. He said he then heard one shot from a small calibre weapon, coming from the area of the light.
h h a D	Deputy said he and several other deputies started walking out into the parking lot, when he heard between 5 - 10 additional gun shots also coming from the area of the fight. At this time, he saw a male black with a gun in his hand. The suspect was jogging southbound, away from the area of the fight, and as he passed a male lying on the ground, he fired 1 or 2 times at the male. Deputy saw the muzzle flash, and began yelling at the suspect. The suspect turned around and fired one shot in a westerly direction towards Deputy Blunt, Adams, and Seminaris
s h g	Deputy said the suspect was moving in a southerly direction away from the crowd. He said this put the suspect in a "clear field of fire." He said prior to the suspect moving to the south, ne observed a female standing approximately 3 feet north of the suspect. The female went to the ground as soon as the suspect started shooting at the deputies. He said since she went to the ground and the suspect was running in a southerly direction, the shooting background was clear for the deputies to return fire.
a d tl	Deputy said when he saw the suspect shoot at him, he yelled "417" and started shooting at the suspect. He said the suspect was only a few feet from a white Honda when he shot at the deputies. When the suspect got behind the Honda, Deputy could still see the suspect, hrough the vehicle windows, moving south towards the front of the Honda. At this time, Deputy fired a couple of rounds at the suspect, shooting through the Honda windows, trying to not the suspect and stop his aggression.

Deputy said the shooting stopped, and he, Deputy Adams, and Deputy Blunt moved and took cover behind a vehicle in the same row as the white Honda, approximately 5 -7 spaces west of the suspect. The deputies were yelling at the suspect, "Come out with your hands up, drop your gun."

I.A.B. Note: The vehicle they took cover behind was a Cadillac which was 5 parking spaces west of the white Honda.

Deputy said the suspect reappeared at the front of the Honda in a crouched position. The suspect looked around the front of the Honda with his weapon at shoulder's height, and pointed towards the deputies. He said the suspect did not drop his weapon, or put his hands up. The suspect did not react to their demands, nor did he say anything to the deputies.

Deputy said he started firing at the suspect, and then Deputy Adams fired at the suspect. He said there was no one between their location and the suspect's location. Deputy said he saw some of his rounds hitting the dirt (planter area) in front of the Honda. Deputy said the suspect looked like he was going to "dive" across the planter area into the driveway, in an attempt to get away. He said the suspect fell to the ground but still had his weapon in his hand. He said he fired one or two additional rounds at the suspect. The suspect then rolled over, away from the deputies, and the weapon fell out of the suspect's hand. At this time, Deputy said he believed his magazine was close to empty, so he reloaded a "fresh magazine." He said as he and Deputy Adams approached the suspect, the suspect was still moving, but they were able to handcuff the suspect.

Deputy said that the suspect never made any attempt to put his weapon down, hide his weapon, or drop his weapon. He said that he felt that if they did not shoot the suspect, the suspect would shoot them or someone else in the crowd.

I.A.B. Note: During this incident, Deputy fired his weapon 13 times. Only 12 discharged cartridges were recovered at the scene that were identified as being fired from Deputy weapon. Six discharged cartridges were recovered from the first location the deputies shot at the suspect, refer to Exhibit "C", Location #2. The other six discharged cartridges were recovered from the second location, near the Cadillac, refer to Exhibit "C", Location #3.

Deputy Blunt said as the deputies started walking towards the fight in the parking lot, he heard one shot from a small calibre weapon. He said he could not detect the exact location of the gun shot, but he could tell that it came somewhere from the general direction of the fighting crowd.

Deputy Blunt said that deputies drew their weapons, and took cover behind vehicles, and trees. Seconds later he heard 3 - 4 additional shots in rapid succession. He said these shots came from the same general direction as the firs shot, and from the same weapon.

Deputy Blunt said people started scattering and he saw a Black Cadillac starting to leave. He saw a person lying on the ground who got up holding his stomach and started staggering in a north easterly direction. He then heard additional shots. He looked southeast and saw the suspect standing at the back of a white Honda with a chrome gun in his hand. He said at this time, he was slightly north and approximately 50 feet west of the suspect.

Deputy Blunt said the suspect pointed his weapon in his (Blunt) and the other deputies direction,

and the suspect fired at least once in their direction. He said he saw the muzzle flash of the suspect's weapon, and he fired his first round at the suspect. He said the suspect then ducked behind the white Honda.

Deputy Blunt said since the suspect was now concealed by the Honda, and due to the distance he was from the suspect, he repositioned himself. He said he ran to the front of a blue van. He said as he came around the front of the van, he saw a couple of empty parking spaces, and then a brown vehicle. He said he saw Deputy Adams at the front of this brown vehicle.

Deputy Blunt said he then moved to the brown vehicle (refer to Exhibit "C", Location #3), and positioned himself to the left of Deputy Adams. He then saw the suspect at the front of the white Honda, pointing his weapon in the deputies direction. He said he was fearful that the suspect was going to shot at them again. He said he then fired two additional times at the suspect. He said the suspect then fell into the dirt planter. He said the suspect looked like he was trying to get up again, and he believes Deputy was yelling at the suspect to stay down.

I.A.B. Note: Deputy Blunt fired his weapon three times during this incident, and all three discharged cartridges and bullets were recovered.

From the positions where his discharged cartridges were recovered at the scene, it appears that he fired twice at the first location when deputies returned gunfire, refer to Exhibit "C", Location #2, and only once while behind the brown vehicle, refer to Exhibit "C", Location #3.

Deputy Blunt's bullets were also recovered. One was recovered in the engine well of Mr. s 1978 Black Cadillac, Ca. one in the driver's door of the same vehicle, and one underneath dirt in the planter box in front of the white Honda.

Mr. s vehicle had four bullet holes, but only two bullet jackets were recovered.

Deputy Blunt said as Deputy and Deputy Adams approached the suspect to handcuff him, he heard shots being fired to his left, north of his location, and he saw the black Cadillac leaving the parking lot onto Castleton Street.

Deputy Adams said while standing on the sidewalk in front of the nightclub a fight broke out in the center of the parking lot. He said the deputies started walking quickly to the fight, and he then heard a single shot from a small calibre weapon. He said he drew he weapon and started looking for the source of the gun fire. He said he thinks that the deputies fanned out into the parking lot, and he was the farthest deputy south in this line.

Deputy Adams said after this first shot he saw patrons in the parking lot running back towards the deputies, to the north, to the south, but he did not see anyone running east.

Deputy Adams said he then heard approximately 3 more shots, and saw the muzzle flash. He said he saw the suspect shooting in a northward direction, and moving in an eastward direction from the center area where the fight was. He said the suspect had the gun in his right hand, with his arm extended. He said the suspect's weapon was pointed slightly downward, and he could not see what the suspect was shooting at. He said people were in the suspect's line of fire, and it appeared that the suspect was taking careful aim and "squeezing" the rounds off.

Deputy Adams said the suspect then began running in a southeasterly direction. He said he started sprinting, paralleling the suspect's path. He said he raised his weapon and started sighting in on the suspect. He said the suspect was "without a doubt" threatening the lives of people in the parking lot. He said as the suspect got to the rear of a white Honda, he (suspect) turned towards the deputies. He said he heard one shot and saw a muzzle flash coming from the suspect's weapon. He said at this exact time, he heard other shooting.

Deputy Adams said he and Deputy took cover behind a Cadillac, parked 4 - 5 stalls west of the suspect's location. He said he felt his life and Deputy should be life was in danger. He said after seeing the suspect shoot at them, he heard Deputy should shooting at the Suspect. He said at this time, he took aim at the suspect, as he (suspect) was going around the back of the Honda. He said he was at the hood area of the Cadillac when he first shot at the suspect, and he shot twice at the suspect.

Deputy Adams said that the suspect was on the driver's side of the Honda, running towards the front. He said he was tracking the suspect with the sights of his weapon, and he knew the suspect was going to reappear at the front of the Honda. He said he repositioned himself at the right front bumper of the Cadillac. He said as the suspect approached the front of the Honda, the suspect immediately came out, turned towards him, and pointed his gun at him (Adams). He said the suspect was in a crouched position and was taking aim at his (Deputy Adams') location. He said from his location, he could see that the suspect was holding a chrome weapon.

Deputy Adams said since the suspect had shot at him just seconds before, he felt that the suspect was a direct threat to him and the suspect was going to shoot at him again. He said he fired either six or seven rounds in total at this time at the suspect., all the time ordering the suspect to drop his gun. He said he heard shots being fired to his left, and believed that it was Deputy shooting at the suspect.

Deputy Adams said he recalled thinking that he was shooting low for the first three round or so. He said he saw some rounds hitting the dirt in front of the crouched over suspect. He said he raised his weapon trying to get on target, "get a better sight picture." He said he was shouting at the suspect, "Drop it, drop it," hoping the suspect would drop his weapon, because he was afraid that the suspect was going to "kill" him before he could get on target and "hit him (suspect)." He said the next three or four rounds he shot did not hit the ground, but he did not see any reaction from he suspect either.

Deputy Adams said the suspect then turned to his left and started falling to the ground. He said the suspect fell to the ground stomach first, with his head in a southeasterly direction, his feet back towards the Honda, and his weapons still in his hand. He said the suspect's gun hand was lying across the raised curb of the planter area.

Deputy Adams said at this point, there was a pause in the gun fire, and he and Deputy were yelling at the suspect to drop his weapon. He said the upper part of the suspect's body began raising up, and he (Adams) fired an additional two rounds. He said he did this because the suspect still had his gun in his hand, and he felt that as soon as the suspect got up he was going to come back on target towards them.

Deputy Adams said immediately after this, the suspect went down completely in a prone position, and his (suspect's) gun fell from his hand into the street approximately 1-2 feet from the suspect's right hand. Deputy Adams said at this time, he recalled thinking that he had shot more than ten round, so he dropped his magazine, put his flashlight in his back pocket, and reloaded his weapon

with a fresh magazine. After approximately 5-10 seconds, the suspect did not move, so he and Deputy approached the suspect and handcuffed him. I.A.B. Note: During this incident, Deputy Adams fired his weapon 11 times. However, only ten of his discharged cartridges were recovered at the scene. All ten discharged cartridges were recovered near the Cadillac, refer to Exhibit "C", Location #3. Three of Deputy Adams' bullets and one bullet jacket was recovered in the body of the deceased suspect, refer to Exhibit "F", Coroner's Autopsy Report. and his friend. The second were driving through the parking lot Civilian witnesses when they heard one shot, then another from a small calibre weapon. They saw numerous deputies approximately 25 - 30 yards from them yelling "Freeze," at someone. They then heard two more shots and then saw the deputies firing their weapons. said when the deputies began shooting, he heard small calibre gunfire simultaneous with the deputies gunfire. saw the suspect get a weapon out of the trunk of a white vehicle. He Civilian witness then heard gun fire, and saw the suspect with his arm extended out and firing a gun. He said the suspect fired 3 - 4 shots at different people, then ran to a white vehicle. The suspect turned to his right, aimed his gun at the deputies. He said the deputies shot at the suspect and the suspect dropped to the ground. heard the initial gunshots. He said he saw the suspect running from Civilian witness the location of the fight shooting at deputies. He said the deputies did not start shooting at the suspect until the suspect had shot at the deputies 4 - 5 times. He said as the suspect went down he

was standing in front of the man shooting. She said her than shooting and began shooting at him several times, striking him in the buttocks. She said she and her boyfriend got her than shooting at him several times,

) said when the shooting started, her

of

Cadillac and tried to find a telephone to call an ambulance for her

continued to fire his weapon.

Civilian witness